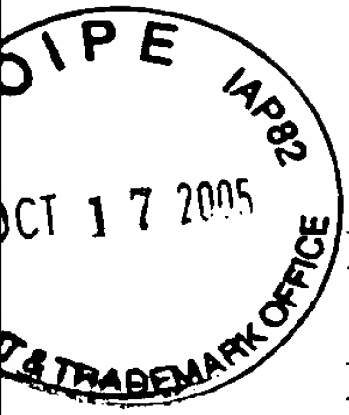


PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE



In re the Application of

Kenji NISHI

Group Art Unit: 2877

Application No.: 09/782,062

Examiner: G. Stock

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PRODUCING DEVICE

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In reply to the May 18, 2005 Office Action, the shortened statutory period for reply
being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Claims as reflected in the listing of claims; and

Remarks.